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Dear Sir:

Applicants note that the PAIR system indicates a Notice of Non-Compliant Amendment to have been issued on May 14, 2008, listing Gloria Trammell as the author. This paper has not yet been received by the undersigned. However, even if the Notice was mailed, it was issued in error and should be withdrawn.

The April 7, 2008 paper submitted by Applicants was not an Amendment responding to the Office Action of January 9, 2008. Rather, this paper pointed out that the January 9, 2008 Office Action failed to take into account the claim revisions that were made during the international stage under Article 19 and requested that the Office Action be reissued. To comply with 37 CFR 1.495(d), Applicants submitted a translation of the Article 19 Amendment with the US national stage request papers, thus making the Article 19 Amendment of record in the US national stage. Applicants provided a courtesy copy of the previously-filed translation of the